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C O N F I D E N T I A L KADUNA 0506

E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: PGOV, NI  
SUBJECT: DISORDERS AT ABU - 6 KILLED

REF: KADUNA 0504

1. HAUSA RADIO NEWS YESTERDAY AFTERNOON CARRIED REPORT THAT FOUR PEOPLE WERE KILLED AND SIX SERIOUSLY INJURED AS RESULT STUDENT-MILITARY/POLICE CLASHES AT AHMADU BELLO UNIVERSITY (ABU). EVENING KADUNA TELEVISION NEWS MENTIONED PROBLEMS AT ABU WITHOUT DETAIL. FILMED INTERVIEW WITH STUDENT LEADER WAS SIMPLY CUT OFF AFTER ABOUT FOUR SENTENCES WHICH MADE NO REFERENCE TO VIOLENCE. THIS MORNING'S NEW NIGERIAN REPORTS DEATHS OF FOUR STUDENTS, ONE WORKER AND 15-YEAR OLD BY GUNSHOT WOUNDS. ACCORDING TO REPORT TEN ADDITIONAL STUDENTS HAVE BEEN TREATED FOR GUNSHOT OR OTHER INJURIES. UNIVERSITY HAS ORDERED STUDENTS TO LEAVE CAMPUS AND ACCORDING TO NN STUDENTS STARTED "PACKING OUT" YESTERDAY AFTERNOON.

2. YOUNG SOCIALISTS MOVEMENT OF KADUNA POLYTECHNIC HAS ISSUED PRESS RELEASE COMPARING ABU KILLINGS TO  
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SOWETO MASSACRE; ABU HOSPITAL WORKERS UNION HAS CALLED ON FMG TO END "MOLESTATION OF INNOCENT LIVES."

3. SENIOR FSLE REPORTS THAT THERE WAS SOME INTERNAL RIOTING AT ABU CAMPUS, PROBABLY MILITANTS VS. FINAL YEAR STUDENTS WHO DID NOT WISH TO PARTICIPATE IN BOYCOTT. HE ALSO UNDERSTANDS THERE WAS SOME ELEMENT OF

SHARIA PROBLEM INVOLVED IN STRICTLY INTRA STUDENT DISORDERS.  
ACCORDING TO HIS SOURCES STUDENTS DO NOT ACCEPT  
FIGURES OF DEATHS AND CASUALTIES REPORTED YESTERDAY OR  
TODAY AND ARE DEMANDING TO SEE BODIES AND WOUNDED.  
POLICE REPORTEDLY UNHAPPY WITH ARMY WHO POLICE  
CLAIM DID THE SHOOTING WHICH RESULTED IN DEATHS  
AND INJURIES. FSLE, WHO IS CHRISTIAN FROM MIDDLE  
BELT, PLANNING TRAVEL TO JOS FOR WEEKEND IN ORDER TO  
AVOID ANY POSSIBILITY OF TROUBLE WHICH MIGHT BEGIN HERE.  
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